

FOLEY WILL RISK ALL IN FIGHT ON HEARST

Prepared to Defy Murphy
to Defeat Publisher's
Senate Aims.

TAMMANY SPLIT SEEN

Alignments Against Hylan—
Hearst Combine Al-
ready Defined.

'SMITH WITH BIG TOM'

Confidant of Foley Declares
Former Governor Will
Make Race.

Straight from Big Tom Foley's G. H. Q. at Franklin and Centre streets came the manifesto yesterday that Foley, most powerful figure in Tammany Hall aside from Charles F. Murphy, will head political extinction and defy Boss Murphy himself rather than give an inch in his opposition to the reputed political ambitions of William R. Hearst.

Foley himself is no talker—never has been; but from a lieutenant entirely in his confidence it was learned yesterday the veteran fighter who holds for Tammany the high justice, the middle and the low below Fourteenth street, and whose influence runs potentially through the whole Tammany domain, is prepared for civil war in the Hall rather than be forced into line to support a Hearst-Hylan combination. Here is what was said to a reporter for THE NEW YORK HERALD by a Foley subchief known to be in Big Tom's confidence:

"No man has ever been more loyal to the Hall than Mr. Foley. No temptation of money or power ever has caused him to sway a hairline from absolute fidelity to the organization. Where other leaders from John Kelly's day down the line to Charles Murphy sold out or played

double, Foley stood behind the leader and the organization. The great fight between McEllan and Murphy is sufficient case in point. If Foley had gone over to McEllan in those days the Sullivan would have gone too, and Murphy would have been dethroned. But Foley stuck.

Can He No Surrender.

"There is such a thing in politics even as self-respect and personal honor and when these are involved, as they most certainly are in the present proposition, there can be no surrender. Mr. Foley put Mr. Hearst in politics in 1902, making it possible for Mr. Hearst to go to Congress. He did nothing subsequently to provoke Mr. Hearst such a flood of abuse and vituperation as was poured on his head. Mr. Hearst held Mr. Foley up to the public gaze as a criminal and a trafficker in vice and as one who should be in the penitentiary. Upon Mr. Foley's conscience lies the putting of Mr. Hearst in politics and the only penance he feels of use will be in fighting Mr. Hearst politically.

"If Mr. Hearst demands from Mr. Murphy a nomination as the Democratic candidate for United States Senator to succeed Calder Mr. Foley will reason and will even plead with the powers of the Democratic party in this State. But if this is not enough he will fight as Foley knows how to fight with Tammany Hall will rock with the shock of such a fight. Foley has many recipients of patronage who will not leave him to follow after Hylan and within the organization are many leaders who are not unwilling to go to the mat with Murphy over Hearst.

"If you wish to know who the nominee for Senator will be," concluded this confidant of Big Tom's, "I'll tell you. It will be Al Smith. The candidate for Governor will be a good up-Stater. Mr. Hearst will get nothing."

The Hall already is beginning to echo with murmurs of the struggle and certain alignments are perceptible. With-out betraying confidence it is possible to state some alignments are working for Foley within the Hylan lines, led by men supposed to be dominated by the Mayor. Friends of Foley are sounding out all the leaders preparatory to a showdown and efforts are being made to get inside the mind of Murphy.

Foley doesn't desire a fight with Murphy. They are old friends and battle allies. Often they have disagreed but when campaigns began they were together for the organization. But if Hearst's demands (always providing they materialize) find Murphy tolerant or even friendly, then Foley, as his friend said yesterday, will fight to the last ditch.

Not a word has come from former Governor Smith, known to dislike Hearst with a heartiness second only to Foley's, but there have been many indications that Al Smith with his recognized great influence in this city will be ready to join hands with Big Tom whenever the time comes.

CITY CANNOT AVERT FERRY SUSPENSIONS

Three Brooklyn Lines From
Lower Manhattan to Be
Shut Down Soon.

Service on three important ferry lines operated by the Union Ferry Company will be shut down within a short time and the city will not be able to take up the burden because the company has decided not to sell its nine boats for \$320,000, as agreed on, according to information received yesterday by Grover A. Whalen, Commissioner of Plant and Structures.

The three lines, which are among the most important trucking arteries in the city, are the Fulton Ferry, from Fulton street, Brooklyn, to Fulton street, Manhattan; the Hamilton Ferry, from Hamilton street, Brooklyn, to Hamilton street, Manhattan; and the line from Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, to Whitehall street.

The city owns the terminals and was negotiating for the boats, as the ferry company has been in difficulties and was eager to suspend operation. The

company wanted \$1,500,000 for the boats but the city's expert appraised them at \$350,000.

The Board of Estimate has appropriated the latter sum for purchases and \$200,000 for repairs. The Committee on Public Letting of the Board of Aldermen had agreed to permit the purchase without public letting, but the proposition was attacked because of the age of the boats and on the ground they were unsafe. Their ages range from 31 to 59 years. Four are wooden sidewheelers and the others have iron or steel bottoms.

The representatives of the company told Commissioner Whalen they had decided not to sell the boats for \$350,000 and intended to stop the service and lay the boats up near Great Neck.

Commissioner Whalen said he had searched the coast from Maine to Florida and the nine boats were the only ones available that had the certificate of the Federal Government inspection service. That in itself was a guaranty of their safety. It would be a year before the ferry boats being constructed by the city would be ready. None could be spared from other services.

UNTERMYER REFERS HOUSING TO VOTERS

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There is something beyond the mere indelicacy of such a position.

"Assuming that these men are not deliberately abusing their public trust to earn their fee and that their votes represent their conscientious beliefs, the subconscious effect of their dual relation is destructive of their usefulness as legislators."

Touching on the housing situation Mr. Untermyer said that "unless our program miscarries that problem will be a nightmare of the past within eighteen months from to-day." He said he did not predict that rents will have returned to the pre-war level, but that there would be a radical cut of from one-third to one-half the present rate.

Cheap Flats to Be Plentiful.

Still more important, he said, was the

fact that there would be no scarcity of "clean, modern, sanitary, cheap accommodations for the masses of our people."

He continued:

"If the Governor signs the bill permitting life insurance companies to invest not to exceed 10 per cent. of their assets in cheap tenements, as I have no doubt he will, it will mark the beginning of the biggest era of building activity we have ever known. I am assured that within four days after that bill is signed work will begin on the most stupendous building enterprises ever undertaken in this much needed class of housing, and that other like enterprises will follow in quick succession."

"I expect to see at least 50,000 new apartments, rentable at from \$7 to \$8 per room per month, to accommodate 150,000 people, in the market within eighteen months. They will be model tenements, at that. Every room will be flooded with light. Every room will be heated. Every apartment will have a well ventilated bathroom and there will be a courtyard for the children to play."

"Equally important, these enterprises will be sound, permanent, well paying investments, yielding 6 per cent. net return, for there is to be no loading on this job by labor, no grafting material men to pyramid costs, no money sharks and

no middlemen profits to lumber up the enterprise."

"Labor has most generously agreed to make its contribution of seven hours per week in overtime. It will be efficient labor at that, for the men who work on these houses are going to have a prior claim on the apartments, so that they will feel that they are building their own homes."

No Chance for Profiteers.

"If the manufacturers of material such as brick, lime, cement and the like, or any other class of profiteers, try to hold up this job by demanding exorbitant prices the enterprise is big enough to permit the manufacture of its own materials, and that is what will be done. The stimulus of the war created more plant capacity than can be utilized in normal times and there are a number of well equipped plants that can be leased or purchased. There will be no 'holdups' on this work and we shall see to it that there will be no matched bids of 'gentlemen's agreements.'"

"The people of New York are at last going to be cheaply and decently housed and before we get through the housing crisis may prove to have been a blessing in disguise. When this has been accomplished the old, firetrap, pesti-

lence breeding, ramshackle houses that infest the city and that are now platted over with health and fire violations will have to come down, but no such crusade can be started until these people have a place to go."

Mr. Untermyer said his attack on the "low standards and morals of our Legislature" should not be interpreted as a general indictment against the legislators. "We have men of as high purpose and fine ability as ever in our history," he said, "men of the type of Senators Lockwood, Davenport, Straus, Duell, Tolbert, Cottilo, Dunnigan and others, but we have far too many of an entirely different type."

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